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I am writing as a citizen of Massachusetts and the United States of America in regards to the proposed settlement with Microsoft. A number of states have already decided not to join the proposed settlement between the Department of Justice and Microsoft. I believe theirs is a wise move as the proposed settlement is grossly unfair to the American public.

As a "computer professional" I am very familiar with the industry and Microsoft and firmly believe that the proposed settlement is unfair to numerous corporations that have attempted to develop competing products, consumers who have used or even those that have \*not\* used Microsoft products. The settlement does nothing to stop these actions and worse, give Microsoft a wedge to drive itself into the one market, education, that it has been unsuccessful at winning against Apple Computer.

I hope that a more fair and equitable agreement can be reached in regards to this matter. I urge you to reconsider this settlement proposal.

Yours truly,

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